WILBUR F. HINMAN.

April 24, 1884.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Geddes, from the Committee on War Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 4881.]

The Committee on War Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4881) for the relief of Wilbur F. Hinman, submit the following report:

The claim made in this case is for services rendered as lieutenant of Company E, Sixty-fifth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, from October

1, 1862, to February 6, 1863, inclusive.

The records of the Sixty-fifth Ohio Volunteers show that Wilbur F. Hinman was originally mustered into service as a private Company E, Sixty-fifth Ohio Volunteers, October 12, 1861, to serve three years, and promoted to first sergeant November 15, 1861. On the muster-roll of Company E for September and October, 1862, he is reported second lieutenant. On the 16th of February, 1863, he received his commission as first lieutenant, "to rank as such from the 16th day of June, 1863;" that on the 7th day of February, 1863, he was mustered in as first lieutenant, but to date only from February 7, 1863, and only received pay as first lieutenant from and after that date.

It appears from the sworn statements of the officers of the company and regiment of which the said Wilbur F. Hinman was a lieutenant that claimant did actually serve in the capacity and discharged the

duties of lieutenant from October 1, 1862, to February 6, 1863.

The Government of the United States received his services, and has recognized him in the character of lieutenant during the time from October 1, 1862, to February 6, 1863, in every way, except to pay him, and the committee is of opinion that he is entitled to compensation, and therefore report back the bill and recommend its passage.

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